NEW PROPOSITIONS FROM THE KING OF SCOTLAND,

TO

The Parliament of that Kingdom; with his last Promise and Condescensions, and the proclaiming of a new Proclamation for His Highnesse.

ALSO,

Another bloudy Fight in *Ireland*, the particulars thereof, and the routing of Generall *Oneal's* Army by the Lord of *Ards*, the raising of the siege at *London-Derry*, and the rallying of the Marq. of *Ormond's forces*, and advancing within 12 miles of *Dublin*.

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THE KING OF SCOTLAND

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Propositions to his Subjects of that Nation; and His Promise and Condescensions to the Desires of the PARLIAMENT.

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SInce the receipt of the intelligence from *Ireland*, of the fatall Blow there given to the Prince his Forces, the Court hath continually rung with sorrow, and his Highnesse is very sad and melancholy: Since which time, there hath been a great disputation held by his Privy Councell

Councell, whose result was, That new propositions should be sent to the Parl. of Scotland, *viz.* 1 That his declared Majesty would give his assent, for the setling of Religion, according to the solemn League and Covenant.

2 That he would wholly apply his Ear to the Councell and Advice of the Estates conveened, provided, that respect might be had to the tender Consciences of those who have adhered to or assisted him.

But this will hardly be; for he must either become a perfect Covenanter, or else a despised Prince.

Many of the Royall party have caused proclamation to be made for *Charles* the II. for the raising of Voluntiers, but few appears in that engagement,

Hague 9. Augusti, 1649.

The newes is confirmed from *Dublin*, *Ormond* hath paid dear for his bowzing, *Taff*, *Preston*, and he being met together, thought they could destroy the Parl. power, by drinking healths to their destruction, when its in so many words a Bull, whereas Lieu. Gen. Jones came soberly upon them, and made them run several ways: It's said, that in their haste they fell upon Ballyshanon, have taken it, and are rallyed, being about twelve thousand within twelve miles of Dublin and fallen to their old way of disputing passes: which when lost, they run to the next: they increase by the coming of forces to them, and say, if they recover not their reputation before *Michaelmas*, they shal not keep *Ireland* from a totall reducement within a year.

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The Scots Resolution touching their King.

First, that prevailing party of Sectaries of England, who have broken the Covenant, and despised the Oath of God, corrupted the truth, subverted the fundamentall Government, by King and Parliament, and taken away the life, look upon us with an evill eye, as upon those who stand in the way of their monstrous and new fingled devices, in Religion and Government, and though there were no cause to fear any thing for that party, but the Gangrene and infection of those many damnable and abominable errors, which have taken hold on them, yet our vicinity unto and dayly to commerce with that nation, may justly make us afraid that the Lord may give up many in this land unto a spirit of delusion, to beleeve lyes, because they have not received the love of truth.

Secondly, Neither is the Malignant party so far broken and brought low, as that they have abandoned all hopes of carrying on their former designes against the Covenant, and work of Reformation, besides many of them in this Kingdom who are as Foxes tyde in chaines, keeping in evill nature, and waiting opportunity to break their cords, and again to prey upon the Lords people. That the standing Armies in Ireland, under the command of the Marq. of Ormond, the Lord Inchiqueen, the Lord of Airds, and George Munroe, who forgetting the horrible cruelty that was exercised by the Irish and English Nations in that Land, have entred into a Peace and association with them, that they may the more easily carry on the old design of the Popish, Prelatical and Malignant party, and the Lord of Airds, and George Munroe, have by treachery and oppression, brought the Province of Ulster, and Garrisons therein, under their power and command, and have redacted our Country-men, and such as adhere unto the Cove-

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nant and cauſe of God in that Province unto many miſeries and ſtraits, and are like to baniſh the Miniſters of the Goſpell, and to overturn theſe fair beginnings of the worke of God, which were unto many a branch of hope, that the Lord meant to make Ireland a pleaſant Land.

Thirdly, But which is more grievous unto us then all theſe, our King notwithſtanding of the Lords hand againſt his fathers oppoſition to the work of God, and bearing down all thoſe in the three Kingdomes, by which it is come to paſſe, that his Majeſty hath hitherto refuſed to grant the juſt and neceſſary deſires of this Kirk and Kingdom, which were tendred unto him from the Commiſſioners of both for ſecuring of Religion, the liberties of the Subject, his *Mai.* Government, and the peace of the Kingdom; and it is much to be feared that thoſe wicked Counſellours may ſo far prevail upon him in his tender years, as to engage him in a War for overturning (if it be poſſible) of the Work of God, and bearing down all thoſe in the three Kingdoms that adhere thereto, which if he ſhall do, cannot but bring great wrath from the Lord upon himſelf and his Throne, and muſt be the cauſe of many new and great miſeries and calamities to theſe Lands.

And albeit the Lands be involved in many difficulties and compaſsed about with great and imminent dangers; yet there is hope and ground of conſolation concerning this thing; the Lord is in the midſt of us, and we are called by his name, our ears hear the joyfull ſound of the Goſpell, and our eyes ſee our Teachers. We behold the arm of the Lord ſtreched out daily in working ſalvation for his people, and anſwering their deſires upon their enemies, by terrible things in righteouſneſſe; although we be few in num-

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ber, yet the Lord of Hosts is with us, and in the power of his strength we shall be able to prevaile; although our land be filled with sin, yet we have not been forsaken of the Lord our God, but he hath always had compassion upon us, and delivered us in all our distresse; although some of understanding fal, it is but to try, and to purge, and to make white even to the end, because it is yet for a time appointed although many cleave to us by flatteries, yet there be a remnant who keep their integrity, and the Lord shall do good to those that be good; but such as turn aside to crooked ways, shall be led forth with the workers of iniquity.

The Lords people in England and Ireland, who adhere to the cause and covenant, may be perplexed, but shall not despair, they may be persecuted but shall not be forsaken, they may be cast down but shall not be destroyed, and although uniformity and the work of Reformation in these lands seem not only to be retarded, but almost pluckt up by the roots, and the foundation thereof razed; yet the seed which the Lord hath sowen there, shall again take root downward, and bear fruit upward, the zeal of the Lord of Hosts shall perform this.

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Right Honoured,

SInce the late blow given to the Marq. of *Ormond* by Lieut. Gen. *Jones*, we hear that they are re-bodying about Kilkenny and Munster, and that in the said Engagement thirteen thousand of the Princes forces escaped, who are gathering together, and randezvouzing in severall places; but the raising of the siege, and defeating that potent power is joyfully resented by many. We have received another expresse from thence, which intimates, that the D.

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of *Lenaign* hath landed 3000 horse in *Ireland*, and that a conjunction is designed by them with 7000 Scots under the Lord of Ards, 3000 Irish commanded by the Earle of *Clanrickard*, 7000 of the Spanish Faction commanded by Gen. *Oneal*, 1400 horse commanded by L. *Inchiquin*, and the 13000 of *Ormonds* that escaped at the last fight; all which (it is said) intend a Randezvouz neer *Kilkenny*, who being bodyed, will make an Army of 30000 and upwards, and may probably much indanger our friends in *Dublin*, if a considerable supply be not speedily sent over to them.

Bristol 12. *August*, 1649.

Yesterday came news, as if *Dredagh* were re-taken or delivered up by the Lord *Moor*, that Sir *Charles Coot* since his relief by his Brethren hath been abroad, disputed several passes with the enemy, and set the Besiegers at a further distance. The Lord of *Ards* (its said) hath likewise fallen upon Generall *Oneal*, and after a sharp Conflict, killed many, took divers prisoners, and scattered the rest.

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